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MR. LEE S. JORDAN  
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RE: MUR 5175

DEAR MR. JORDAN:

ENCLOSED PLEASE FIND COPY OF AN ARTICLE WHICH  
APPEARED IN SECTION 1, PG. 9 OF THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE  
DATED MARCH 4, 1997, WHEREBY THE DANNY DAVIS  
1996 CAMPAIGN WAS ORDERED TO PAY AN \$8,000 FINE  
BY THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION FOR FAILING TO  
DISCLOSE CONTRIBUTIONS IN A TIMELY MANNER.

IN MY COMPLAINT FILED WITH YOU ON FEB. 13, 2001,  
YOU MUR 5175 I SUBMITTED AS STRONG SUPPORTING  
EVIDENCE, A LETTER THE FEE WROTE TO THE DANNY  
DAVIS CAMPAIGN IN 1996 CITING SPECIFIC VIOLATIONS  
OF THE FECA ACT, ORDERING THE REIMBURSEMENTS OF  
CONTRIBUTIONS TO THOSE INDIVIDUALS, AND THREATENING  
TO TAKE LEGAL ACTION AGAINST THE DAVIS CAMPAIGN  
FOR THESE VIOLATIONS. IN COMING ACROSS THIS  
NEWSPAPER ARTICLE, I FELT STRONGLY THIS WOULD  
LEGITIMATELY BOLSTER MY COMPLAINT AGAINST THE  
RESPONDENTS, SO I DID NOT HESITATE TO SEND YOU A  
COPY OF THIS ARTICLE AT ONCE.

I TRUST THIS WILL BE INCLUDED IN MUR 5175  
AND WILL WEIGH HEAVILY IN THE FINAL OUTCOME.

SINCERELY,  
Robert F. Holas  
ROBERT F. HOLAS

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Their parents and a month-old boy who was sleeping with them escaped through the window of a back bedroom, a fire official said. The father returned and tried to rescue the others, but the fire was too intense.

"I wanted to go kick the door in, but I couldn't get near there. It would have been suicide," said neighbor Steve Street. "I was up all night just thinking about the children." Cause of the fire was being investigated. W302

Fourteen counties in that state were declared disaster areas after heavy rains and tornadoes struck.

In addition to the West Vir-

## Despite cattle

ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON—Children who have a beef with their school menu are getting a new alternative with the government's blessings: yogurt for lunch.

Over strenuous objections of the cattle industry, the Agriculture Department has decided to allow yogurt as a meat substitute in the nation's school lunchrooms.

## Mistrial ruled for experimental cancer doctor

REUTERS

HOUSTON—A federal judge declared a mistrial on Monday after jurors were unable to reach a verdict on whether a doctor committed fraud and other crimes when he dispensed an experimental cancer drug to patients.

After seven days of deliberations, the 12-member jury said it was evenly divided over whether Dr. Stanislaw Burzynski was guilty of violating federal drug laws by dispensing antineoplaston, which is derived from peptides in human urine and blood.

U.S. District Judge Simeon Lake then dismissed mail fraud allegations against Burzynski and at a later hearing set a tentative trial date of May 19 on the remaining fraud and contempt charges.

Burzynski, 54, was charged in a 75-count indictment with criminal contempt and fraud for allegedly violating earlier federal court orders by dispensing the experimental drug to patients across the country for ailments ranging from AIDS and cancer to skin diseases and baldness, prosecutors said.

Although jurors were told the effectiveness of the drug was not an issue in the case, half said they had Burzynski's cancer patients in mind during deliberations.

Burzynski dispensed antineoplaston made at his Houston plant to more than 2,500 patients over the past 13 years, pulling in \$40 million from patients and insurance companies, prosecutors said.

### CALIFORNIA

## Actress Taylor 'well on the mend'

LOS ANGELES — Actress Elizabeth Taylor will remain hospitalized for another day or two following a brain seizure that put her back in the hospital shortly after she was discharged following brain surgery, a spokesman said Monday.

But doctors said the two-time Oscar winner was listed in "good" condition and that no further complications are anticipated.

"The tests are not revealing anything, and she seems to be healing well," said Ron Wise, spokesman for Cedars-Sinai Medical Center. "Everything shows she's well on the mend, but doctors want to play this conservatively."

Taylor, who turned 65 last week, underwent four hours of surgery Feb. 20 to remove an apparently benign tumor the size of a golf ball from the lining of her brain.

### WASHINGTON, D.C.

## Davis campaign pays election fine

WASHINGTON — The congressional campaign committee of Rep. Danny Davis (D-Ill.) paid an \$8,000 fine to the Federal Election Commission for failing to disclose contributions in a timely manner, the FEC said Monday.

It said the campaign neglected to file so-called "48-hour" reports requiring that candidates reveal large donations that come in during the weeks just before an election.

Election law requires reports within 48 hours any donation of \$1,000 — the maximum individual contribution allowed — that is made in the 20 days preceding an election.

Davis' campaign failed to reveal within 48 hours of the March 19, 1996, Democratic primary 16 contributions totaling \$41,500, the FEC said.

"It's our opinion the violations are technical," said a Davis spokesman. "All the money was reported" later.

### WASHINGTON, D.C.

## U.S. moves to save swordfish stocks

WASHINGTON—The National Marine Fisheries Service on Monday proposed measures to try to rebuild Atlantic swordfish stocks by limiting access to the fishery.

With stocks estimated at 67 percent of optimum levels and the average size of landed fish at 84 pounds, compared to 266

pounds 30 years ago, the agency said commercial harvesting capacity must be limited.

"Historically, the swordfish fishery has operated under open access, but that can't continue any longer," said Rolland Schmitt, the fisheries service director. W304

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